GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Andhra Pradesh State Biodiversity Board – The Biological Diversity Act, 2002 / Andhra Pradesh Biological Diversity Rules, 2009 – Constitution of the Technical Support Groups – Orders – Issued.

ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS, SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (SEC.V) DEPARTMENT

G.O.MS.No. 16 Dated: 09-02-2018.

Read the following:-

1) G.O.Ms.No.70, Environment, Forests, Science & Technology (For.II) Department, dated 21.08.2009.
2) From the Member Secretary, A.P. State Biodiversity Board, Guntur, Lr.Ref.No.734/APSBDB/TSG/2017, dated 21.11.2017.

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ORDER:-

In the G.O. first read above, the Government has issued "The Andhra Pradesh Biological Diversity Rules, 2009".

2. In the letter second read above, the Member Secretary, Andhra Pradesh State Biodiversity Board has requested that notification for constitution of Technical Support Groups (TSGs) in 13 Districts of Andhra Pradesh may be issued.

3. In pursuance of the decision of the Andhra Pradesh State Biodiversity Board in its meeting held on 17.10.2017 read with Rule 22 (7) of Andhra Pradesh Biological Diversity Rules, 2009, the Government of Andhra Pradesh hereby constitute the Technical Support Group (TSG) in all the Districts of the State for implementation of the Biological Diversity Act, 2002 with the following members, with immediate effect until further orders:-

Members of the Technical Support Group (TSG):

(1) Divisional Forest Officer having his office in the District to be nominated by the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF) – District Nodal Officer and Convener.

(2) Representative of the Department of Animal Husbandry & Veterinary Department in the concerned District nominated by the Department of Animal Husbandry & Veterinary Department, Government of Andhra Pradesh.

(3) Representative of the Department of Fisheries in the concerned District nominated by the Fisheries Department, Government of Andhra Pradesh.

(4) Representative of the Department of Agriculture in the concerned District nominated by the Agriculture Department, Government of Andhra Pradesh.

(5) Representative of the Department of Panchayat Raj in the concerned District nominated by the Panchayat Raj Department, Government of Andhra Pradesh.

(6) Representative of the Department of Tribal Welfare in the concerned District nominated by the Tribal Welfare Department, Government of Andhra Pradesh.

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(7) Representative nominated by the Botanical Survey of India, Deccan Regional Centre, Hyderabad.

(8) Representative nominated by the Zoological Survey of India, Freshwater Biology Regional Centre, Hyderabad.

(9) Two members nominated by the District Collectors of the District from among the Conservationists/NGOs/prominent individuals from the District.

Duties and functions of the Technical Support Group (TSG):

(a) The Technical Support Group shall provide technical guidance to the Biodiversity Management Committees (BMCs) in the District in the preparation of the Peoples Biodiversity Registers (PBRs)

(b) The Technical Support Group shall provide technical guidance to the Biodiversity Management Committee (BMCs) in the District in the preparation of the Biodiversity Management Plans for their respective areas.

(c) The Technical Support Group shall recommend measures for 'capacity building' of the Biodiversity Management Committees and/or for their declaration as Biodiversity Heritage Sites (BHS)

(d) The Technical Support Group shall recommend to the Andhra Pradesh State Biodiversity Board (APSBDB), potential areas rich in biodiversity / cultural heritage for the establishment of BMCs and/or for their declaration as Biodiversity Heritage for the establishment of BMCs and/or for their declaration as Biodiversity Heritage Sites (BHS).

(e) The Technical Support Group shall help the Andhra Pradesh State Biodiversity Board (APSBDB) in its negotiations with the individuals / community / other stake holders for the purposes of implementation of the Biological Diversity Act, 2002 and in awareness campaigns.

(f) The District Nodal Officer shall nominate a forest staff, preferably in the rank of Forester, to function as Secretary to each of the Biodiversity Management Committees/Group of Biodiversity Management Committees constituted in the District for guiding the Biodiversity Management Committees in account keeping and record maintenance.

(g) The Technical Support Group shall meet as frequently as deemed fit but at least once in 6 (six) months. The Divisional Forest Officer who is also a member of the Technical Support Group shall convene the meetings in his capacity as the District Nodal Officer cum Convener of the Technical Support Group. The Technical Support Group is free to devise its own rules/methods for conducting business including determination of the quorum and the decision making process.

(h) The minutes of each meeting of the Technical Support Group shall be recorded and submitted to the Andhra Pradesh State Biodiversity Board (APSBDB), by the District Nodal Officer cum Convener of the Technical Support Group.

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4. All the District Collectors in the State and the Member Secretary, Andhra Pradesh State Biodiversity Board shall take necessary action accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

G.ANANTHA RAMU
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
The Collectors & District Magistrates (Anantapur, Chittoor, East Godavari, West Godavari, Krishna, Kurnool, Guntur, Prakasam, Sri Potti Sri Ramulu Nellore, Srikakulam, Vizianagaram, Visakhapatnam and YSR Kadapa.
The Member Secretary, Andhra Pradesh State Biodiversity Board, Guntur.
The Members concerned through Member Secretary, Andhra Pradesh State Biodiversity Board, Guntur.
The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF), Andhra Pradesh, Guntur.
The Commissioner of Agriculture
The Director of Animal Husbandry
The Commissioner of Fisheries
The Commissioner of School Education Department
The Commissioner of Panchayat Raj & Rural Development Department
The Commissioner of Tribal Welfare
The Secretary, Government of India, Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change), Paryavaran Bhawan, C.G.O. Complex, Lodhi Road, New Delhi-110003
The Secretary, National Biodiversity Authority, TICEL Bio-Park, 5th Floor, CSIR Road, Taramani, Chennai-600113, Tamilnadu, India.
The Scientist-in-Charge, Botanical Survey of India, Deccan Regional Centre, Hyderabad
The Director, Zoological Survey of India, Freshwater Biology Regional Centre, Hyderabad.
The Assistant Inspector General of Forests, Government of India, Ministry of Environment and Forests, Paryavaran Bhawan, C.G.O. Complex, Lodhi Road, New Delhi – 110003.
The P.S. to the Chief Secretary to Government
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The P.S. to Special Chief Secretary to Government, Animal Husbandry, Dairy Development & Fisheries Department
The P.S. to Special Chief Secretary to Government, Higher & School Education Department
The P.S. to Principal Secretary to Government, Panchayat Raj & Rural Development Department
The P.S. to Principal Secretary to Government, Planning Department
The P.S. to Principal Secretary to Government, Agriculture & Cooperation Department
The P.S. to Principal Secretary to Government, Tribal Welfare Department
The P.S. to Principal Secretary to Government, Environment, Forests, Science & Technology Department
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